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**Title:** System and Method for Transferring Data Over a Communication Medium Using Data Transfer Links

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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of April 27, 2004, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.